

PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW CEL PHONE USE INFLIGHT!! I am a flight attendant for a major carrier, and I see firsthand the problems cel phones and other electronics can cause in my workplace. The FAA requires carriers to ensure ALL electronics are turned off for pushback, take off and landing; it is VERY difficult for us to accomplish this with people who completely ignore our requests for compliance now. If people knew they could be using their cel phone later in flight, we would virtually NEVER get them to comply. That's if we could get their attention, given the lack of awareness of their surroundings while talking on cel phones. It is amazing any flight leaves on time AND safely with all the cel phone chatting and lack of attention paid. In addition to the above:

*There is no hard evidence that cel phone use doesn't interfere with navigational instruments.

*Cel phone use would enable terrorists to coordinate a plan of action more effectively.

*The NPRM would leave it up to flight attendants to police the use of cel phones onboard the aircraft, compromising our ability to maintain a safe, secure cabin environment and to conduct emergency evacuations.

*It would make an already tense cabin environment even more stressful.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and to protect our workplace.